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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents to grant the above-identified application special status because there has been no action in this case since the filing date of July 17, 2000. Thus more than two years have passed without receipt of any action on the part of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Applicant has invested considerable time and money in the invention and is eager to begin to explore the benefits of a U.S. patent.

Moreover, in the meantime the counterpart PCT application is entering the national phase. Special status is accordingly warranted to enable applicant to experience the same benefits in his home country that are quickly approaching abroad.

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Please charge the petition fee in the amount of \$130.00 to the Deposit Account No. 50-0709 of the undersigned attorney. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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